(b) About 24 acres of land has been acquired for this purpose and the preliminary estimates for construction of a new building are under process for sanction.

Problems of Students in Kashmir Valley

89. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that studies of various categories of students in Kashmir Valley institutions were abruptly cut short because of terrorist menace, and that a large number of students are on the point of losing their studies; and

(b) what steps Government propose to make good their likely loss of studies?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Attempts are being made to open the educational institutions in the Valley. Attempts are also being made for helping students to get admission elsewhere for early resumption of their studies.

Statement of JKLF Leader

90. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR:

CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the statement made by the so-called JKLF leader Amanullah Khan about murder of HMT Chairman, Shri Khera, from New York indicating that anti-India elements were operating from the U.S. soil; and

(b) if so, whether the matter has been taken up with the U.S. Government to ensure that their land is not misused to foment trouble in India; if so, what has been the concrete response of the U.S.A. Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of India has expressed its deep concern to the US Government at Amanullah Khan's presence and activities on US soil in view of his known involvement in acts of terrorism directed against India. On 18 April the US Government revoked the visa of Amanullah Khan on grounds of Mr. Khan's support for terrorist acts. We have also requested the authorities for his detention.

Statement of Pak Ambassador in Washington

91. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the statement made in Washington on April 16, 1990 by Pakistan Ambassador, Air Marshal Zulfiqar Ali Khan, emphasising that the Simla Agreement does not bar in any manner the raising of Kashmir issue in any international body including the United Nations, the Non-Aligned Movement or the Organisation of Islamic States etc.;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) what steps have been taken to forestall Pakistan's attempt to raise the issue in the Security Council?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Government have seen reports of the statement.

(b) There is wide international support for India's position that all

differences between India and Pakistan should be settled peacefully through bilateral negotiations as provided for in the Simla Agreement.

(c) We are keeping in touch with various Governments of the World.

Institution of low power Transmitters in Rajasthan

92. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of low power T.V. Transmitters likely to be installed in Rajasthan during the year 1990-91; and

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to convert or instal a high power transmitter in the State during the year 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) A low power (100 W) TV Transmitter at Salumber in Rajasthan is expected to be commissioned into service during 1990-91, as a spill over scheme of the Seventh Plan. Besides Doordarshan's Annual Plan for the year 1990-91 also includes establishment of a number of additional low power TV transmitters, the locations of which depends upon intense priority for extension of TV service to the uncovered parts of the country.

(b) Schemes for the replacement of the low power TV transmitters functioning at Bundi, Jaisalmer and Barmer by high power transmitters are under implementation. As per the present indications, these transmitters are, however, expected to be commissioned into service during 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 respectively. In addition, replacement of the existing low power TV transmitters at Anupgarh by a high power transmitter is also envisaged.

Centenary celebration of Dr. Ho Chi Minh

93. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plans to organise the Centenary Celebration of Vietnamese revolutionary leader, Dr. Ho Chi Minh, in India; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It has been decided to set up a Committee headed by Prime Minister to celebrate the Ho Chi Minh Celebrations in a befitting manner. Eminent persons in public life, cultural personalities, academics and journalists have been invited to join this Committee.

Fire at Vigyan Bhavan

94. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that sparks were noticed coming out of electric wirings in the ceiling of the meeting hall of Vigyan Bhavan by some Police officers including the Commissioner of Police, Delhi while their Conference was going on in that hall;

(b) whether any Police officer reported the matter to the safety staff of the complex; and

(c) if so, what action was taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) A Committee has been set up to inquire into the incident of fire at Vigyan Bhavan on the 16th April, 1990.